REPORT UPON THE CAPE FEAR AND DEEP RIVERS.

To Messrs. Alex. MacRae, A. J. Derossett, Upper Cape Fear and Deep Rivers, as and Wilmington. high up as Hancock's Mill, in Moore County. North Carolina.

GENTLEMEN:-Having been engaged by Major Walter Gwynn, on your behalf, to make a survey of the Cape Fear and Deep Rivers, with a view to the opening of the navigation as high up as Hancock's Mill in Moore County, and having conpleted the reconnoizances, together with such instrumental examinations of the most difficult portions of them, as the time allowed me would permit. I have the honor herewith to report the results, including an estimate of the probable cost of a Slack Water navigation to be form ed by a succession of Locks and Dams, with occasional short Canals.

This character of improvement is admirably adapted to those rivers, as indicated by their inconsiderable fall per mile, (it being somewhat less than two feet throughout their whole length.) their consequently sluggish current, and the extensive natural pools already to be found throughout their length.

Knowing the importance to the friends of this improvement that the question should be ascertained in the shortest possible time. whether such a navigation could be obtained upon these rivers, to connect with the present Steamboat navigation upon the Cape Fear at Fayetteville, and with a view to expedite the work, after organizing a party and prothe river.

I found Hancock's dam 12 feet high, and was told by him that it backed the water up for five miles above, with a depth of not less than 3 feet. Thence descending the river, I found a succession of small shoals, until I passed the lower end of Murchinson's Island, where I met, with the back water of Peter Evans,' Jr. dam, 21 miles from Hancock's. From this point to Evan's Mills, a distance

with a depth ranging from 3 to 9 feet, at the then low stage, which was that of low sum-Evan's Dam has just been rebuilt upon the rafter plan, and packed in with stone, about 3 feet in height. It is 190 feet long, and leaks

to some extent; it did not in consequence hold a full head of water by 11 feet; when this shall be the case by the deposit of mud and Hancock's Mill, 121 miles. In Evan's Dam, a Lock will be placed of 9

feet lift from which a boat will float directly into the back water from John Horton's mill dam, and through this fine pool of water for 61 miles to Horton's mills. The deyth of istance from which it immediately deepens to 5 feet and continues from 5 to 8 through-

Horton's dam is 374 feet long and 8 feet high, over which the water was flowing at the time; showing thereby a plentiful supply It is proposed to raise this dam one foot, which can be done at a small expense, to insure 3 feet at all times back to Evan's dam, and thus supposing a lock in Hancock's dam, we find water navigation of 23 miles.

From the lock in this dam a boat will float into a pond of not less than 3 feet in depth, to be formed by a dam to be erected 200 feet below Thomas Farish's fish dam. This dam will be 9 feet high, and 284 feet long, and will connect the pools at present existing and Farish, and Peter Evans, Sen. forming one continuous pool for 8 3-4 miles from Horton's

A Lock will be placed in this dam of 9 feet lift, from which a boat will float into a pool 7 1-2 miles long and not less than 3 feet depth. extending to Claig's mill dam, a short distance below the mouth of Rocky River.

As this point, the first real difficulties are encountered and it becomes necessary to leave the bed of the river for the first time in 39 1-4 miles. Nature has done much to smooth the way here, and we find a natural canal, or Sloo of 50 to 70 feet wide, which it is proposed to use for 2050 feet. It is now used as the race to Claig's mill; it will be necessary to take down Claigs river dam. which only holds water for three feet, and construct upon its site a dam 5 feet high and depth over the shoals at the mouth of Rocky River, and above that point back to the sill of the lock in the dam, at Farish's fish trap.

per part of this pond.

they are by no means insurmountable—and when it is considered, as will be seen by the when it is considered, as will be seen by the any freshes that may arise, as is abundantly been expended to construct a line of canal the town of Wilmington, on the second Monday in Moreh next and plead to and replace that the leave the average cost of improving Deep were originally placed.

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less. It will be 800 feet long.

islands with the first. From Pullens dam, it is intended to take miles in length. out a canal through the level bottom in which his mill race is dug. It will be 1026 depth over the shoals to Averysboro', and on Seaport would have a more extended commuyards long, of easy excavation and will re- to Doctor's shoals immediately below Smith's nication with the interior than Wilmington? quire one guard lock where it leaves the Ferry, at the mouth of Lower Little River. Supposing the Yadkin Valley penetrated, pool, and two lift locks of 101 feet each, to The dam upon Doctor's Falls will be 9 and improved, as ! am informed it can be drop the boats into the river, somewhere feet high and 350 feet long; it will not only for some 150 miles above the "narrows" thus

waggon ford where it crosses the main road. River, thereby facilitating the rafting of the not be surpassed by any other improvement will be sent according to the times of the applicawill float into a pool 11½ miles long reaching ger of loosing them, as is now frequently the to Buckhorn Falls. with no difficulty for that distance, even at this time, and of sufficient and of sufficient on the sufficient of the same length in the country.

North Carolina would then, from the products of her own bosom, from her own inexhaustible resources, assume that position a wonderful section of country.

with Deep River, is the town of Haywood, Fayetville, 15 miles. Some outlay will be re- of Wilmington, they would be shipped tom, which is destined to become a place of which is provided for in the estimate. considerable trade when this improvement A. S. Mc Neil and F. J. Hill, composing the in the Counties of Chatham, Randolph and being about 100 miles. Committee, designated by the Pittshoro' neighboring Counties, and will be the point Convention held in July last, to take in where all the surplus production of these charge the obtaining of a survey and esti- Counties will concentrate, to be borne upon mate of the probable cost of improving the the navigation to the markets of Fayettville

At Buckhorn, the river falls 16 feet in 11 miles, where it becomes necessary for the nature has again stepped in to smooth the way for us, andwe find a natural canal or sloo, which leaves the river just above the falls and bers will be of yellow pine properly he wed, running round the north side for 114 miles, and well tree nailed together, and the interagain enters the river. This sloo has at mediate spaces or cribs, well packed in with this time a depth of from 12 to 18 inches in stone. Upon timbers running length ways it, and is 60 to 70 feet wide.

river at the head of the falls 5 feet high, and low pine plank, running up and down the 720 feet long which will afford ample depth in slope, and well secured to these timbers by leading whig paper in Massachusetts,) wrote Till my well-coursed book I've laid aside. in the sloo and back the water over the shoals | tree nails. so as to give at all times not less than 3 feet water upon them. The sloo will be followed I mile at which point there will be a dam erected over it. This dam will be 9 feet high of well hewed yellow pine timbers laid length be and will be avoided in any bill which may be and 180 feet long, and in continuation of the ways of the Lock, 10 feet apart, connected reported. It has been made a great bugbear in On wings of love, they'll swiftly roam, same dam to the bank below the old canal, by cross ties every 10 feet of their length a dam of 198 feet long and 6 feet high, also These cribs will be well packed with stone ar There is no denying this." 430 feet of damming 5 1-2 feet high to con- to the entire height of the Lock walls. nect some islands above.

ted to lower them into the river.

the work, after organizing a party and pro-curing a suitable boat, I began the descent of The general outline upon which these improv-the river. 30 to 40 tons burthen. I learn from Capt. Dibbel, that his steam they have been deceived by the whig leaders. ements were last projected was in the main | hoat plying upon the Neuse River is 100 feet | It is to rebuke bitterly and pointedly those current, but the details were so wretchedly long by 17 feet wide, from the bow to the champions of protection who have regarded carried out as to render worse than useless extremity of the paddle wheel, which is that tariff as the ne plus ultra of a revenue It's kindly glance-'tis joyous then; all the money expended upon them. The placed in the stern of the boat-its draft law. "Objectionable features" in the tariff of It reveals the thoughts of a trusting heart, canal was in the first place cut 1 mile in when light is 18 inches. length from Buckhorn sloo, and locks erected The depth provided for in this estimate is "There are no men at Washington who wish to lower the boats into Parker's Creek, which in no case less than 3 feet, and no doubt a to re-enact the tariff of 1842!" For saying it was intended they should follow to the boat can be constructed to draw less than the very same things, now proclaimed by a river, about one-fouth of a mile. This creek the one named above. is an inconsiderable stream of about 10 feet | These brief descriptions of the locks and nounced as free traders, and Mr. Walker anof ten miles, I found a splendid pool of water width and 6 inches depth, which would dams are considered all that is necessary at athematized as a leveller and a destroyer !ment brought down by it to the obstruction of ter of the improvement contemplated. river had have been backed into it by a is laid off for construction, modifications of the more utterly free trade than any that has been dam from below.

It was afterwards concluded to throw away be found advisable, and in all probability may ers now see that they must do with a good O-sad am I, that thou art not here: these locks together with half a mile of the lend to some saving n expense. sand held in suspension by the water brought dingly carried out and the locks put up, which the plan proposed, the items for which are down the river, it will flow the water back to would have answered the purpose very well, presented in a separated sheet, I find it a if they had have been properly constructed, mounts to (including ten per cent for continbut the simplest laws of hydraulic pressure gencies) \$185, 600. were totally disregarded. The sides of the In order that the committee may have a this pool, at its shoalest place, which is 200 whatever. As might have been expected, but of the State at large, both social and yards below Evan's Dam, is 2 feet for a short they were forced open soon after being commercial, I will endeavor to point out some ling of Whigs and Democrats. boat through them. They were miserable the country it will traverse. To do so, I will thrown into the river; as the effect of their olina; and beginning at Wilmington, the this noble river, as utopian, merely because by this proposed improvement we find still already formed with a small outlay, a slack they failed at that time, without knowing or the broad and rich valley of the Cape Fear

> properly directed and judiciously managed. ther: approaching at its nearest point to play cards with him; he replied that he On thy dewey lips, I think a smile, will render the navigation of the Cape Fear within 33 miles of the rich and fertile valley and Deep Rivers, one of primary importance of the Yadkin river. ties within its influence.

will float into a pool 6 miles in length and of ceptible of an amount of surplus production, sufficient depth to Douglass' Falls, half a which it would be difficult to estimate, could mile below Norrington's Ferry. This pool the proprietors of them avail themselves of will be formed by a dam 8 feet high, and 750 the easy and cheap mode of conveyance to game with you for fifty cents.' long, to be raised upon the ledge of rock at market which this navigation would afford .that place. Here it is proposed to take out a Upon Deep River, 12 miles above its conflushort canal for 440 yards on the north side, ence with the Haw river, we first come upon ged? through a level bottom of easy excavation, the bituminous Coal deposit, which extends and by a lock drop into the river below.

1023 feet long. This dam will give sufficient falls are well known to be the greatest obsta- and also higher up near Dr. Chalmer's plancle to the opening of the Navigation of the tation in Moore County.

Cape Fear River above Fayetteville, I will This coal burns with a brilliant flame; it Some clearing out and blasting will be re- extend for about five miles over a succession and is identical with the far famed bituminquired, the cost of which is embracing in the of rocky ledges, with no great fall at any one ous coal of Alleghany County, Maryland, to whole room, completely sold. A dam must be raised over the sloo as far still pools of water, varying in depth from been expended in the construction of the be placed of 10 1-2 feet lift, from which a boat | yards. The banks of the River at the head | sides a new issue of bonds recently made of will pass into a pool of three miles in length of the Falls, are sixteen to eighteen feet high, \$1,700,000, making together, \$11,202.345 for and of sufficient depth, formed by the erection but increase in height to thirty feet as we ap- construction alone. To this must be added of a dam just below the head of Pullen's Falls proach the foot of the Falls. It will be seen the interest and loss upon the sale of bonds E. J. Lutterloh, Original Attachment-Mau- So, light was my heart, till love's witchery came, Some cleaning out will be required in the up- from this brief notice of their character-from up to this time, of \$4,458,970; this swells the height of the banks and the admirable the amount to \$15,661.315. Pullen's Falls are the chief obstacles to the foundation offered for the dams and locks, as The Report from which the above is exopening of the navigation of Deep River, and well as the existence of pools of still and deep tracted, says-"The prominent and main to a casual observer, or these unacquainted water of considerable extent, that nature has purpose of the canal, as a work limited to the with the means resorted to elsewhele in surmarked out for us the plan of improvement to Valley of the Potomac, is to lay open to the ordinary process of the law cannot be served up mounting similar difficulties, they do appear effect the navigation through this part of the inhabitants of the Atlantic States, the miner- on him: on motion, it is ordered that notice be to constitute a barrier to the navigation of river. In fact, there are natural excavations al treasures of Alleghany country; particular- given in the Wilmington Journal for six weeks, the rich and fertile valley of that river. But and benches formed in these ledges of rock, ly its inexhaustible mines of Coal and Iron."

estimate, at what an inconsiderable cost the shown by the imperfectly constructed fish upper portion of the river can be rendered dams upon them, which have withstood all the Deep River mineral region by 14 miles, navigable, it will we understood that we can the freshets in the Cape Fear until the actu- and when we take into consideration the tarafford to expend an amount sufficient to over- al decay of the timbers in them and yet the lift of tolls necessary to pay the interest upon come the difficulties at these falls, and yet stones remain upon the foundation as they this large sum and compare it with that ne-

A Lock will be placed in this dam of 9 feet feet, nine inches high and 445 feet long, in provement, is it not as plain as the sun at lift from which a boat will float into a pool which a lock will be placed of the same lift noon day, that you can compete with the 71 miles long and not less than 3 feet depth, to lower the boats into the pool below, which | Maryland coals in any of the Atlantic seaextending to Claig's mill dam, a short dis- will extend for 1 1-4 miles and of sufficient ports? depth to the head of Big Island.

The 1st dam in the falls will be placed up-on a ledge of rocks making across the river fall at the ledge is only eighteen inches, but so a substance very much resembling black 24 feet below the level of the water surface there is a rampart of rock running across the lead, above it will be 8 feet high, and 384 feet river seven feet above the surface of the wa- Without desiring to weary you, gentlemen, long, including the abutments. A lock will ter, except at three openings where the river I must carry you along with me, either by be placed in this dam of 8 feet lift. A boat will float out this lock into the pool ledge, or rather across the channels through by a portage Rail Road, over the country di-

two islands, its average height will be much less. It will be 800 feet long. | feet lift, to float the boats into the pool below, upon the Yadkin to the Rail Road: and if demned to satisfy plaintiffs demands. | which will carry them 13-5ths miles to the sectional boats are used, such as are in daily the sectional boats are used. | Teste, L. H. MARSTELLE A lock will be placed in this dam of 101 next dam, to be raised upon another ledge of ly use upon the Canals in Pennsylvania, feet lift. from which a boat will pass into a rock. This dam will be 6 feet 4 inches high they would, with their freight, be transporpool tormed by a dam 1300 yards below, built und 750 feet long. A lock in it will carry us ted over this short portage Rail Road, and apon the site of Pullen's dam, it will be 8 feet through a pool of 1 1-2 miles in length to the launched upon Deep River for the seaport of high and 446 feet long to the island, including next dam, to be raised upon the ledge at the State. the abutments. There also will be required leading, which will be 6 feet leading to connect two other light and 600 feet long—through a lock in this leading with the first.

It appears to me there can be no doubt as try is called to the cheap and carefully prepared leading assessed value of about 25 per cent.

That it Guide to the Gold Region, just published by the leading to the boats float into a second that there is a deprecial assessed value of about 25 per cent. dam the boats float into a pool of water five would render the stock of the lower Cape subscribers, entitled Gold Mines of California, and STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA.

about the new bridge, being erected by Dr. create the pool above named, but it will flow forming 400 miles of interior transportation. Smith and others. It will also require a the water for some distance up Lower Little which for economy and low frieghts, would From the outlet lock of this canal boats clamps brought down it, and remove all dan- of the same length in the country.

depth excepting at two points, one at Dr. Falls' the distance is five miles, which will mong the Commercial States of the Atlantic Smith's sein haul, the other at Hawkin's be the length of the pool. Upon these Falls Seaboard, to which she has a legitimate Island; the depth of water at which points, is the last dam will be erected—it will be 91 claim, and no longer witness the diversion of

finely situate I upon an elevated second bot- quired in this distance to remove obstructions, The fall from the foot of Hancock's dam to shall be opened. It has a rich back country Fayetville is about 178 feet. The distance

PLAN OF THE DAMS.

The plan of the Dams upon which the estimate is based, is what is termed a crib dam. | Cape Fear and Deep Rivers was made, It is formed by longitudinal timbers, well secured to the rock, connected by cross ties, with good management, under the direction with the down stream end of the ties kept at of a competent Engineer, for the accomthird time to leave the bed of the river. Here such an elevation above the upstream end as plishment of the objects contemplated, and As lightly as fall the manes of night; will give the proper up stream slope 21-2 I fully concur in all the views and deduc- So o'er my spirit there comes a power, feet horizontal to 1 foot vertical. These tim of the dam along the face of the up stream It is proposed to erect a dam across the slope, will be laid the sheeting of 3 inch yel-

PLAN OF THE LOCKS. The Locks will be a modification of the 'Composite Lock"; the walls will be formed

These Lock walls will rest upon timbers | ler, the editor of the Boston Atlas, and a very From the sloo through a guard lock, the extending entirely across the Lock, laid close prominent whig, to make. It is to say, in boats will pass into the old canal which together, and upon which a double flooring nearly so many words, that John M. Clayton must be widened and cleared out for that will be laid to the extent of the lock chamber, and the North American, in clamoring for the purpose, as far down as the locks to be cre- and the lining of the chamber will also be tariff of 1842, before the election, did not mean

two sets of locks, some half a mile apart and chamber, by 18 feet width, and are calculated sands in this State who voted for Taylor un- And dearer still thy friendship, wonthe old canal alluded to; showing the efforts for boats 100 feet long and 2 feet draft—and der the solemn assurance that the tariff of But dearest of all, thy image to me,

have been always filling up with the sedi- this time, to an understanding of the charac- After this, we shall not be at all astonished if the navigation; even though the water of the It is necessary to say that when the work

plan of improvement above presented may

canal, and returning back upon it, lock into After a careful investigation of all expenthe river half a mile above. This was accor- see necessary to accomplish this work, upon

locks were merely upright post braced at clear understanding of the importance of this each alternate post, with a single lining of proposed improvement, of the interests not onone inch plank, and with no other support ly of the country through which it will pass, subjected to the head necessary to pass a of the physical features of the valley and of attempts at lock building, and it would have ask them to examine with me for a few been far better had the money have been moments the map of the State of North Car-Mr. Atchison. failure, although some twenty years have chief sea port of the State, we find the Cape past, is still found in the minds of many Fear River flowing through a broad and enterprising and intelligent gent emen, who noble valley, and steam boats plying upon it look upon any further attempt at improving for 100 miles above, to Fayetteville. Thence says: reflecting upon the cause: which was an pursuing a North west direction some 60 utter want of skill in carrying out the im | miles further, to the junction of the Haw with Deep river, and thence by the valley of Deep the tavern, among gamblers, etc., when A spirit is now aroused, however, which if river, which now bears due west, 40 miles fur- one of them came up and asked him to With a quiet look, and a tranquil brow;

occasioned by the fish trap dams of Thomas to the State at large, as well as to the Coun- The highly productive lands of the Cape Fear and Deep rivers throughout the whole From the outlet lock in this canal. a boat extent of this proposed improvement, are suson both sides of hat river for some 15 miles The next pool will be 8 miles long and will above, and forms one vast coal basin. as is extend one mile below McAllister ferry, clearly indicated by the openings which have where a dam will be built 8 feet high, and been made upon the lands of Thomas Farish, on George's Creek, on the branches of A lock in this dam will pass a boat into the next pool below, which will carry it four miles river, upon the lands of John Horton, where to the next dam, which is to be placed upon the boring has been continued for some 20 the first ledge in Smiley's Falls. As these feet without finding the thickness of the bed,

> give their physical character. These Falls is found from 3 to 5 feet below the surface, of them, leaving invariably between them, transport which to her sea coast, there has

cessary to meet the interest upon the small The dam at this first ledge will be eight expenditures necessary to accomplish this im-

Hematite Iron ore, is also found upon the

below of sufficient depth, and 600 yards long, it, a dam will be raised of 10 1 4 feet high—
which brings us to the 2nd dam. This dam will its total length from bank to bank being 500
we reach an immense and populous valley, that unless said defendant appear at the next term of this Court, to be holden at the Court-House in the town of Wilmington, on the second Monday also rest upon a rocky ledge, it will be $10\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

feet high in the main river, but as it will cross In this dam a lock will be placed of 10 1-2 —which would be collected and transported

Fear valuable, must be admitted.

claim, and no longer witness the diversion of her products to the building up of the Comincluding this notice, and sending a marked paper now 18 inches.

About 2½ miles below Pullen's Mill, and directly above the confluence of the Haw

feet high and 400 feet long.

From the lock in this dam, of 9½ feet lift, directly above the confluence of the Haw

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where the laws of trade might direct.

Respectfully submitted. WM. BEVERHANT THOMPSON Civil Engineer. Raleigh, Dec. 22d 1848. I have carefully examined the notes and

calculations upon which the above esti- As it completes its round with an hourly chime i mate of the cost of the improvement of the And whispers my vigils late at night, and have no doubt that it is full and ample, tions contained in the above report.

WALTER GWYNN. Raleigh, Dec. 22d, 1848.

THE TARIFF OF 1842.

The Philadelphia Pennsylvanian says: The senior editor of the Boston Atlas, (the Of one who dwells on a distant shore: from Washington a few days ago as follows: "There are no men here, of any party, who

wish to re-enact the tariff of 1842. There are many objectionable features in it which ought to To thee, absent one, in a distant land ;-and the south and west and, as a whole, is unpopu- To thy Mother's own sweet cottage Home; Here is a pretty confession for Col. Schou-

what they said, but deliberately sought to de-There are the remains of several dams, The Locks will be 100 feet long in the ceive the people. It is to say to the thou-1842 would be restored if he were elected, 1842! The tariff of 1842 "unpopular!"protection-whig, democrats have been dethe result of Dr Eckert's late motion in the

> deal less than the tariff of 1842." GEN. TAYLOR'S AGE.—The New Orleans Picayune says that he has it from Gen. Taylor himself that he (Gen. T.) is 64 years of age. So that matter is settled.

> House in favor of the tariff of 1842, is a bill

dreamed of. At all events, the manufactur-

The Richmond Enquirer states that the resolutions reported to the Virginia Legislature, by Mr Floyd, from the select committee on the subject of the Wilmot Proviso, were unan-

General Sterling Price, the Liberty (Mo.) Though late since we parted, yet long it seems; Tribune says, will be a candidate for the seat in the U. S Senate, at present occupied by

dent of the N. York Spirit of the Times

The best genuine 'Yankee trick,' I ever saw occurred at the Londonderry (N. Then not lightly I value Virginia's smiles. H.) Fair. A Yankee was strolling about didn't know much about a game, and that he never gambled.

· Well,' said the gambler, 'I'd like to play a game with you: what will you play · " ell,' said our friend, 'I'll play

Down they sat, the gambler put down fifty cents, and asked our friend if he beg-

' No,' said he, 'I've got a very good hand-I don't beg!'

. Well,' replied the other, . put your mo-· What money?' asked Jonathan.

. Why, your fifty cents !' "I didn't say I'd put down fifty cents! You asked me what I'd play with you for.

The gambler snatched up the cards and money and bolted, amid the laughter of the

down as we use it, and in this dam a lock will three to seven feet, and in length from 2 to 600 | Chesapeake and Ohio Canal. \$9,502,345, be- STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA. NEW-HANOVER COUNTY. Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, December Term, 1848.

you till night for fifty cents a game!'

ger London summoned as John Christian. \ Garnishee. IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the defendant resides beyond the limits of the that unless said defendant appear at the next term of this Court, to be holden at the Court-House in

demned to satisfy plaintiff's demands. Teste, L. H. MARSTELLER, Clerk. Jan 5, 1848--[17-6t [Pr fee \$4 38]

STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA. NEW-HANOVER COUNTY. Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions,

December Term, 1848. Copeland & Kidder, Original Attachment-Mauger London summon-John Christian. ed as Garnishee. IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court hat the defendant resides beyond the limits of the State, or so absconds or conceals himself that the ordinary process of the law cannot be served upon him: on motion, it is ordered, that notice be given in the Wilmington Journal for six weeks,

that unless said defendant appear at the next term

in March next, and plead to and replevy, that the effects in the hands of the Garnishee will be con-Teste, L. H. MARSTELLER, Clerk. Jan 5, 1849-[17-6t [Pr fee \$4 38]

THE GOLD MINES OF CALIFORNIA. THE attention of Agents throughout the counalso a Geographical, Topographical and Historical view of that country, with a Map of the country, and particularly of the Gold Region, edited by G. G. Foster, Esq. Price 25 cents. All the authentic information in regard to the country and the Gold Region that can be procured will be found in this book. Price, per hundred, \$15; \$2 per dozen. Unless orders are sent in promptly the publishers cannot engage to satisfy them. A new edition is in press to supply country orders, which tion. This work is the first authentic publication on the subject and embraces all the information given in the Wilmington Journal for six weeks, Road, at their meeting at Darlington Court-House,

DEWITT & DAVENPORT. Tribune buildings, New York.

[COMMUNICATED.] TO MISS M. A. V. D. OF VIRGINIA.

MIDNIGHT MUSINGS. Tis the midnight hour ;-and all is still. Save the murmuring sound of a distant rill; Save the monotonous tick of that monitor' time, As does the dimness of my waning light.

As gently as glides ephemeral light, In this lone, and sad, and darksome hour; 'l'is Memory's wand: and from her magic touch

Visions of the past, before me steal.

I've been reading much, but thinking more, While my tenderest thoughts, they sweetly glide, From the scenes I've read of, imposing and grand,

Where a murmuring streamlet that softly sighs; Where Sappho'st vaulted arches rise. Around which now gathers-a halo bright,-Of recollections, the dearest to my mental sight.

As the Oasis in the desert to the Arabian's eye, So dear to this heart is friendship's tie, And dearer to me, thy cottage Home ; Fair triend of my manhood, I pay homage to thee. For thine eye-'tis an eye I love to ken,

Untouched by sorrow, untaught by art : Whose affections are pure as the limpid stream, When its placed waters in the sunset gleam. Thy voice, is a voice I love to hear; Its tone to me, is music dear :

Sweeter by far than the nightingale's song. Which, on balmy zephyrs are borne along : Music, dearer to me does its cadence seem, Than matin song or vesper hymn : That to me, "hushed is thy lute-string, and vacant thy chair."

O, thy friendship is such, as I fain would link T the life-strings of my devoted heart; That its influence soft, might ever guide, My path o'er life's uneven tide, That upward and onward, ever right, Like the eagle in his airy flight; True as the magnet to the pole, 'Twould lead me to the Heavenly goal.

Thine image is present in all my dreams, Like a magic spell to guard my cot-Like a talsimanic power to guide my feet, A Gambling Anecdote .- A correspon- Thy spirit, 'tis present, when the Tempter comes With false-glowing colors, to deceive, that he may But, when true manliness triumphs, and I hea not his wiles,

But the night is waning, And I fancy thou art sleeping now, As beaming now as ever the while, On thy cheek I wot the lily glow, And blends its beauty with the mantling of rose, While the magic sweetness that on thee rests, It has now my heart with its tenderness.

Oblations from affection's bower, On a seraph wing go fly-To the Maid I ove, that's far away, In her own Virginia home. Where the Meherrin's placid waters glide-Where its bounding billows foam; But the lilies that bud, in its waters green, And bloom in its silver sea

Are less pure on their tiny stem, I ween,

And in this still ambrosial hour,

While the night winds gently sigh,

Than the spirit that dwells in thee. and I said fifty cents-and I'll play with Soft, soft be thy slumber, and sweet thy sleep, While ye angels band a vigil keep, And guard thy couch from every ill, While in thy heart, sweets distill, 'Til the shades of night no longer stay, 'Till its sombre hues, they flee away, And the crimson tints of the rosy morn.

> O'er thy curtain peep, o'er thy vision dawn. O, fair as the waterfall, s close to thee gushing, Twas free as those waters, that ever are rushing, Till - kindled its love, and then smothered

its flame:

With everything beauteous that grows in the earth; Each flower from the valley; each gem from the May they sweeten thy dream, and illumine thy

Farewell-farewell-until Eve's sweet daughters

Are loved not, in the hearts of the fair and brave: I'll forget not the murmut of Meherrin green wa-I'll forget not the nymph of its bounding wave.

W. C. G. * Wilmington, N. C., Christmas Night, 1848. Meherrin River, a lovely stream, on whose banks wells the heroine of these lines.
:Referring to Sappho Bridge across the Meherrin.

\$A little sheet of water whose gurgling sound is ever Prayer on the Cholera .- Bishop Potter of the Episcopal Church in Pennsylvania, has prepared a form of prayer to be used in all the Cholera is threatening us with its ravages.

the State of Ohio, as returned by the assessors pleaded in bar of a recovery. in 1847 and 1848. The number for last year is set down at 1,757,318, value \$3,160,706; ted to come forward and settle. this year 1,870,777, value \$2,329,493. It will be seen that there is a depreciation in the

NEW-HANOVER COUNTY. Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions.

December Term, 1848. R. M. Blackwell & Co.) Original Attachment-Mauger London summon-John Christian. ed as Garnishee. IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the defendant resides beyond the limits of the State, or so absconds or conceals himself that the ordinary process of the law cannot be served upon him: on motion, it is ordered, that notice be helders of the Wilmington & Manchester Rail

effects in the hands of the Garnishee will be con- the present month. demned to satisfy plaintiffs demands.

Teste, L. H. MARSTELLER, Clerk. [Pr fee \$4 38] Jan 5, 1849--[17-66

LAFAYETTE HOUSE.

THE subscriber takes this method of returning his thanks to a generous public for the hitherto liberal patronage he has received; and at the same time most respectfully informs his old customers and the public at large, that the LAFAYETTE HOUSE, next door above the Hanover House, see, Jefferson county, and raised by one HOUSE, next door above the Handver Live and nearly opposite the Cape Fear Bank, on Richard Girson, near Jefferson Court-house, in Jefferson county; he says his reception of transient or steady Boarders. He mother was an Indian Squaw, named Jane, his will at all times be happy to wait upon those who father a Mulatto Negro. The owner of said neshall favor him with their custom, and he will shall favor him with their custom, and he will gro is requested to come forward, prove property, they are with him. His table is furnished with the best the market affords.

His BAR ROOM, at the old well known Rock SPRING, will be found at all times hands mely filled up with the best of Liquors and Refreshments. He also continues to keep at the same place,

Rock Spring.) a set of Livery Stables, with careful Ostlers. Also, Horses and Riding Vehicles for DAVID THALLY.

Sept. 1, 1848. -[51-1y

NOTICE. B. SHERMAN would inform the public that he is prepared to do all kinds of CARRIAGE Among which may be found a good assortment work, both in making and repairing. He has now of domestic and fancy Dry Goods, Groceries Hardon hand, a number of new CARTS and DRAYS, ware, and Cutlery. made in the best manner. He is also prepared to have all kinds of Blacksmith work done, in the best manner and at the shortest notice. Shop near Messrs. Hall & Annstrong's

September 22, 1848-[2-tf

NOTICE: THE subscribers wishing to change their business, will sell the remainder of their stock of Dry Goods, Hardware, Crockery, Cutlery, &c., at cost, for Cash.

All persons indebted to us are requested to set tle up during the ensuing Winter. Dec. 1-[12-61] McKELLAR & McRAE.

FRUIT TREES, &c. THE subscriber has removed his Nursery Establishment from Randolph county to Guilford county, near Greensboro', and solicits orders for Apple, Peach, Pear, Nectarine, and Apricot Trees, which he will furnish from 50 to 100 per cent. cheaper than they can be obtained at from Northern Nurseries. His intention is to make a regular business of it, and he also intends having an extensive assortment of Shrubs and Flowers for sale, and he asks for his efforts such patronage as State pride and interest should prompt the people of North Carolina to give him. His agent in Wilmington is Mr. J. WILKINson, who has some of his Trees for eale, and who will receive orders. Orders may also be directed

to the subscriber at Greensboro'. THOS. H. FENTRESS. December 22, 1848-[15-1y

TURPENTINE BOXES

TO RENT OR SELL. LANDS, 10 miles from this place, with improve- waters of Little River. The land on Crain's ments-46,000 boxes cut last fall, and convenient Creek is all adjoining, and will be sold in four landings :- or would hire six negro men who un- different tracts. There are about 250 acres of derstand the Turpentine business. Address, post- fresh land in a high state of cultivation, suited to Georgetown, S. C., Dec 29, 1848--[16 3t

HOTCHKISS'

Vertical Water Wheels. W. BRANSON is Agent for the above Wheels in this place. He will take pleasure in showing the castings to any person who may desire to see them. There will be found at his office a supply of Wheels, Cranks, or Gudgeons, at all times, for sale singly or in pairs. Dec 29, 1818--[16-tf

LANDS FOR SALE. THE subscriber being determined to remove to the West, offers for sale his plantation, on which he now resides, containing 1150 acres of choice Farm and Turpentine Lands, on the South side of Cohoerie River, adjoining the Lands of G. S. Bronson, Haywood Boykin, and James H. Lamb. The dwelling is quite a commodious two story wooden building, on a high and beautiful bank of the River, about a half mile from Lisbon; all necessary out houses, and in good repair. There is enough of this plantation under fine cultivation to produce from 5 to 600 bushels of corn annually. There are from 2500 to 3000 Turpentine boxes schr Leesburg, a new supply of WINTER GOODS. cut on it, enough to make from 5 to 600 barrels of amongst which are-Turpentine, if well tended every year. There is French Merinos; also, a Toll Bridge belonging to this place, that Do Cashmeres; yields an annual net income of about a hundred Do satinstrip'd de lanes 10-4 do ble on account of its healthfulness, which cannot be surpassed by any place in the Eastern part of Satin striped Organdes, Fancy Cassimeres; the State. For further particulars, see the subscriber on the premises, or at Lisbon.

J. P. TREADWELL. Sampson County, Dec. 29th 1848-[16-7t

FOR CHARLESTON. THE packet schr Stranger, Toby, master, momently expected, will meet with dispatch. For Furniture prints, do freight, apply to G W DAVIS.

300 sacks Salt, per schr Stranger, for sale as

NOTICE.

THE partnership heretofore existing between PRICE & FULTON, in the publication of the " Wilmington Journal," ceased to exist on the 22d instant, in consequence of the death of Mr. Fulton. The business of the firm will be settled by the undersigned, the surviving partner, who will continue the publication of the "Journal." Dec 29, 18481 A. L. PRICE. NOTICE.

ON Friday, 12th of January next, I shall offer for sale at public auction, if not disposed of before. Yet be it mine-be it mine, to embellish thy pil- a large two story house and the lot where it stands, and two small lots near the Depot at this place. For further particulars, apply to JAMES D. WILSON. Strickland's Depot. Duplin co., N. C., } 16-2t December 29, 1848.

> GARDEN SEEDS. Garden and flower Seeds, Bulbous roots, &c., daily expected by W H LIPPITT, NOTICE.

TAKEN up and committed to the Jail at Jacksonville, Onslow county, on the 27th December, 1848, who says his name is ANTHONY, and that he belongs to Messrs. Giles & Bradley, of Georgia. Said negro man is about 30 years of age, and will weigh about 160 pounds. The owners of said negro are requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take him away, or he will be dealt with as the law directs.

W. D. HUMPHREY, Sh'ff.

Jan 5, 1848-[17-11t ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

THE subscriber having taken out Letters of churches of the diocese, while the Asiatic and Chattels, rights and credits, that are of the their recovery. Estate of Michael Haesloop, deceased, at Decem- Dec 15, 1248-[14-tf ber term 1848, of New Hanover County Court, Ohio Bristling Up .- The Ohio State Jour- hereby gives notice to all persons having claims nal of the 16th ult. contains a comparative against his intestate, to present the same within Half and quarter bbls., known to be good. For statement of the number and value of hogs in the time prescribed by Law, or this notice will be sale by All persons indebted to said intestate, are reques

JOHN G. BAUMAN, Adm'r Dec 15, 1848-[14-3m COOPER'S ISINGLASS.

THE above article is the best in use for making MUSLIN, EDGINGS, AND INSERTINGS. JELLIES. They can be made in the warmest which I offer at from 6 to 10 cents per yard. A weather without any difficulty, perfectly stiff and large assortment, just received by the Mary Powtransparent, and when flavored with the extracts ell. of Vanilla, Damask Rose, Lemon and Nutmeg, Rose, Peach or Orange flower water, they are unsurpassable. The above ar icles are for sale by W H LIPPITT. Druggist and Chemist.

RAIL ROAD MEETING. AGREE BLY to a Resolution of the Stock-

that unless said defendant appear at the next term on the 22d of June last, the annual meeting of the of this Court, to be holden at the Court-House in Stockholders of that Road will be held in the the town of Wilmington, on the second Monday town of Wilmington, on Thursday after the 3d in March next, and plead to and replevy, that the Monday in January, 1849, being the 18th o. JOHN M. TIMMONS,

Secretary and Treasurer.

Jan 5, 1849--[17-2t

STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA NEW-HANOVER COUNTY. WILMINGTON, N. C., Nov. 23d, 1848. TAKEN up and committed to the Jail of the aforesaid County, a Mulaito man, aged about

and take him away, or else he will be dealt with as the law directs. OWEN FENNELL, Sheriff of New-Hanover County.

Nov 27, 1848-[12-tf CREW LISTS.

A large supply of CREW LISTS on hand, and or sale low, at the Journal Office.

NOTICE. THE subscriber respectfully informs his friends and the public, that he has taken the Store formerly occupied by Holmes and Hawes, where he offers for sale the one half of the divided stock of Holmes and Hawes, at greatly reduced prices:

For the purpose of changing his business, he will sell his entire stock of Fancy Goods, at New York cost, for cash. Among which may be found a great variety of black and colored, figured and plain' Silks, silk, mareno, and cashmere Shawls, fancy silk handkerchiefs and cravats, and a large stock of thread Laces, muslin and cambrick Edgings, and Insertings, Bonnets and Bonnet Ribbons, kid and silk Gloves, bordered and embroidered linin cambrick Handkerchiefs, French and Scotch embroidered Lace, and muslin Capes and Colors, of the latest and most fashionable style; white and black silk Hose, Cashmeres, Bombazines, Alpaccas, and DeLaines. Together with a large stock of French. English, German, and American Cloths, and Cassimeres; and a great variety of other prticles, too numerous to mention. The entire stock of Fancy Goods will be sold at New York cost, for cash.

FRESH RAISINS. 50 Packages Raisins, assorted; 5 boxes preserved Ginger: 5 do, Citron: 2 barrels Currants: Almonds, Filberts, Brazil Nuts, English Walnuts, hell Barks and Shelled Almonds, for sale by HOWARD & PEDEN. [Dec. 1]

FOR SALE

will sell on a credit of 12 and 18 months, at the plantation on which I reside, ten miles east of Carthage, in Moore county, 3,000 ACRES OF LAND WE would rent or sell 1800 acress PINE on the waters of Crain's Creek, and 2000 on the

> Those wishing to purchase any of the above named lands, would do well to come and see them before the day of sale, which they can do by calling on the proprietor. The sale will commence on the 24th day of January, 1849, and continue from day to day ul-

til all is sold. At the same time and place, I will hire out 15 or 20 likely negroes, among them are several me-

DOUGALD McDOUGALD. Moore county, N. C., Dec 22, 1848-[15-ts FRESH ARRIVILS: THE subscribers have this day received, per

[new style; Ladies bead bags;

[new style; Do Sattinetts; All wool black Alpacca; Do Tweeds and Ken-Silk warp do Rough and Ready prints 10-4 to 14-4 Mackenew [new style; | & Whitney Blankets; Black and white prints 200 pair striped twilled [new style; [Negro biams] Overcoats,a good supply; Fringe & Gimps, a large 50 cases Boots & Shoes,

[supply ; [Philadelphia make. With many other articles too numerous to mention, which will be sold at prices to suit the times. JOHN KYLE & CO.

> AGENCY FOR THE SALE OF

TIMBER, LUMBER, AND NAVAL STORES. THE subscriber respectfully announces to his friends and the public in general, that he will receive orders for the sate of TIMBER, LUMBER, and NAVAL STORES, and solicits a share of the public

He will at all times endeavor to give the quickest possible despatch to all business entrusted to his care. He will also have a large Timber pen and a good wharf at his command, where persons sending any of the above articles to market can secure the same till sold. at a moderate expense-Office on Hall's wharf.

SPERM CANDLES. For sale by WM A GWYER. BACK COUNTRY LIQUOR.

NOTICE.

THE subscriber having qualified at December Term, 1848. as Executor of Margaret McDuffie, deceased, gives notice to all persons indebted to the estate of the said dec'd, to make payment, and those having demands against the same to present them duly authenticated within the time prescridministration. upon all and singular the Goods bed by law, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of JAMES KERR Ex'r.

FRESH BUCKWHEAT. WM. A. GWYER.

LINSEED OIL. Just received by the subscriber, a fine lot of Linseed Oil, and always on hand. W H LIPPITT. Druggist and Chemist. D291

S. HOFFMAN. Dec. 1, 1848-[12-1f MULLETS. 50 Bb's Mullets, tresh packed, and for sale low at

[Dec. 1] HOWARD & PEDEN'S. 5 Rbls Extra, No. 1 Mackerel; 5 do No. 2 do , 10 do No. 3 do; 10 1 do No. 1 do; 10 1 do No. 2 do; 5 bbls Salmon, for sale low at [Dec. 1] HOWARD & PEDEN'S.

SARSAPARILLA. Townsend's, Sands. (in quart bottles,) Sands, (small,) Webster's, Graffenberg's, Carpenter's, and Sands Iodide of Sarsaparilla, always on hand W H LIPPITT. Druggist and Chemist.

JOHN R. HAWES. Dec. 1, 1848-12 Commercial Copy.

Valuable Land

BEING determined to remove to the West. I

G. R. TALLEY & CO. the culture of all kinds of produce made in this section of the State. The lands is well timbered and watered, with a very healthy situation and a good stand for a store. The tract on Little River is well timbered, suited for making lumber and turpentine, with good mill seats on never failing streams, near enough to the river to send the lumber or timber to market.

I will sell at the same time several Horses and stock of all kind, House Furniture, corn and forage, and several other articles too tedious to men-

14-4 French Turkree dollars. This place is more highly recommenda- Victoria satin striped, 10 4 do brocade do

December 15, 1848--[14

MILES COSTIN. Dec 15, 1848[-14-tf Chronicle and Commercial copy once a week for 3 months each.

10 Bbls Apple Brandy; 10 bbls old Whiskey, [Dec. 1] For sale by W L SMITH.